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WILL HAVE LODGE ROOM

Cimarron Masons Organize A Lodge---Waiting Charter

There are a comparatively large number of Masons here in Cimarron, and soon after the big installation of the lodge at Dawson, they got together and decided to organize a lodge of their own here in Cimarron. They have held a number of meetings with that aim in view, and have sent in their application for a charter, and are now waiting for official action on their petition. They have been assured that their petition will be granted, and are now busily engaged in fitting up lodge rooms in the Matkin building for their use.

The entire second floor is being remodeled, partitions are being torn out and new ones built in. The old dance hall will be made smaller, and the two ante rooms will be enlarged. The Masons expect to have a formal installation of their new lodge within a short time, and hope to have the rooms fitted up befittingly by the time the ceremony is to be performed. The rooms will be completely refurnished and decorated, and if all plans work out as intended, the rooms will be something to be proud of.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TAKES OUTING

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN PICNIC AT THE CHASE RANCH--DINNER SERVED TO FORTY.

Last Sunday morning and afternoon, the Sunday school children of Methodist Episcopal church were given a picnic dinner at the Chase ranch, as the guests of Mrs. Mason G. Chase. Right after Sunday school services, Mr. Chase called at the church with a big hay rack piled high with blankets and took all of the children out to the ranch house for dinner, which was served to forty of the merry youngsters. Mrs. Chase showed herself to be a most charming hostess, one who knew how to entertain so many of young Cimarron, and all of the children showed that they had both big appetites and their full quota of good spirits, every one of them enjoying themselves to the fullest extent.

About the middle of the afternoon, the youngsters were again loaded into the big wagon and taken for a little drive around town.

TO ATTEND CONFERENCE

REV. J. ALFRED MORGAN LEFT FOR TEXICO MONDAY MORNING TO ATTEND CONFERENCE.

Rev. J. Alfred Morgan, the pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church here at Cimarron, left last Monday morning for Texico to attend the Methodist Conference of the Albuquerque District which is being held there, beginning with yesterday and to continue until next Sunday evening. Beginning with Tuesday morning, large and unusually interesting program will be carried through, and some of the most prominent preachers in the southwest will be heard in the program.

Rev. Morgan states that he will go to the Conference with a most pleasing and hopeful report to give of his charge here in Cimarron.

NEW SHOP OPEN WIDE

Some little time ago, William Lambert removed his carriage painting shop from the old adobe building which it had formerly occupied, to the building occupied by the Waddell ice cream parlors. Mr. Lambert has changed the interior arrangement to suit his needs and now has his paint shop running at full pressure. In his new quarters, he is prepared to do any kind of carriage painting work and he will no doubt meet with the success his energy and enterprise deserves.

SPECIAL TO UTE PARK.

Last Friday morning a special train was ordered out to Ute Park, returning in the afternoon to Cimarron. The purpose of the trip was for the purpose of conducting a party to the prospective summer resort, the party consisting of Mr. Chas. Springer, Mr. C. A. Carpenter of Columbus Junction, Iowa, and Mr. H. M. Letts.

On arriving at Ute Park the party took a carriage and went on through the Cimarron Canon to Moreno Valley, and during this trip they inspected the dam and reservoir site of the big irrigation project which contemplates taking enough water from the Cimarron river to irrigate about seventy-five thousand acres of land.

SUBSTITUTE AT DAWSON

County Superintendent Will Take Charge Of Dawson Schools

County Superintendent of Schools C. O. Fisher was in Cimarron last Sunday, and while here stated that he will substitute as superintendent of the Dawson schools for the next seven or eight weeks, taking the place of W. F. Huston, the present superintendent. Mr. Huston has been seriously afflicted with some eye trouble, and finds that it will be necessary to have an operation performed. For this reason, he has obtained a leave of absence and has gone to his old home in Indiana for the operation.

During his absence, Mr. Fisher will take complete charge of the Dawson schools during the five school days, but will be in his office at Raton Saturdays for the transaction of the duties pertaining to the office of County Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Fisher stated that the bonds for the new school building, have reached his office, and that there are already sufficient inquiries from prospective purchasers to insure the entire issue being sold at a good rate immediately. This means that the work of getting ready for letting the contract will be hurried forward, and that construction will be begun before a very long time.

TAKE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMS

PAUL WADDELL AND FRED LAMBERT TAKE EXAMINATIONS--WOULD BE FOREST RANGERS

Last Wednesday morning, C. F. Lambert and Paul Waddell left Cimarron bound for Santa Fe, where they were to take the civil service examinations being held there. Both of the young men have been interested in the work of the Government Forest Rangers, and intended taking the examinations which would qualify them for that position. These examinations are of a sweeping nature and it is no small matter to pass them successfully.

DANCERS TO E-TOWN

Party Attends Dance at Elizabethtown---Have Merry Time

Last Saturday morning about seventeen merry Cimarronites went to Elizabethtown to attend a dance that was held here last Saturday evening. It will be remembered that a party to make the same trip was organized two weeks before, but had to postpone the trip on account of rain. Although the day was rather cold for so long a drive, the Cimarron merry makers were not to be cheated out of their pleasure this time, and seventeen of the younger set started out in two four horse rigs arriving in Elizabethtown in the afternoon.

While there, they made the best of their time, and danced the night hours away, only ceasing after night had turned into broad day. About sixty couples were present at the event, and every one reports a most enjoyable time.

Those present from Cimarron were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fanning, Miss Edith Daley, Miss Ring, the Misses Heck, Mr. and Mrs. Roberson, Joe Daley, Wm. Vance, Fred Lambert and Ira McBride. At Ute Park the party was joined by Mr. and Mrs. Thos. McBride and Con. Daley. Fred Lambert and Chas. Scott presided at the ribbons, and showed that they were complete masters of the art of driving four horse teams through difficult places.

DEPUTY SHERIFF IS APPOINTED

G. W. WILLSON HAS RECEIVED THE APPOINTMENT AS DEPUTY SHERIFF.

Mr. G. W. Willson, of Cimarron, has received his appointment as deputy sheriff of Precinct No. 3, his commission from Sheriff Littrell arriving last Friday. There were two candidates for that position, both Mr. Willson and W. H. Duquette having circulated petitions for the appointment.

Mr. Willson has been deputy sheriff elsewhere for a great number of years, as well as Justice of the Peace, and his experience, push, honesty and absolute fearlessness make him well fitted to fill the important position for which he has been appointed. As that he was well fitted to perform any duty for which he might be called, when he took up congratulated on having such a competent officer of the law.

SEEKS LAND INVESTMENT

HON. C. A. CARPENTER LOOKING INTO CIMARRON VALLEY LAND--MUCH PLEASED.

Hon. C. A. Carpenter, of Columbus Junction, Iowa, is in Colfax county looking into the land proposition here in the Cimarron Valley with a view of investing heavily in agriculture lands. Mr. Carpenter is an Iowa lawyer of note, and has been connected with large land deals before, being fully and completely up on land and land values in Iowa and elsewhere. He has been looking over a large tract of land near Koehler and on the Ponil, and seems to be much impressed with the richness of Colfax county lands.

HICKMAN AGAIN WITH RAILROAD

Mr. W. B. Hickman, who has been in the employ of the Cimarron Lumber company for the past year or so, has resigned his position, and has again taken up railroad work, now holding a position with the St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific here in Cimarron.

Mr. Hickman is an expert and experienced railroad man, having spent a number of years in various capacities with different railroads, resigning from the position of station agent to take up his work with the lumber company.

LARGE SHIPMENTS FROM CIMARRON

Within the past week or so, the lumber business in Cimarron and vicinity has been greatly increased, and large shipments of lumber, railroad ties and mine props have been made. The St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific has informed the Citizen that within the past week, they have on no day shipped less than four car loads of either lumber, ties or props from Cimarron, and one day they received eight car loads for shipment, the consignor being, in most cases, the Continental Tie and Lumber Co.

CIMARRON DEFEATED

Yankee and Raton Too Much For Local Ball Team

Last Sunday afternoon the baseball teams of Cimarron and Yankee crossed bats with disastrous results to Cimarron. A big excursion was organized to run from Raton to Cimarron, and arrangements were made for a large crowd to attend the game. But a cold day on Saturday and a violent snow storm in the evening, with a nasty chill in the air Sunday morning, cut the numbers counted on, down to about seventy-five persons, including the ball team.

On schedule time, the game was called, and from the very first, it became evident that the combination of Raton and Yankee teams was too much for the Cimarron wielders of the bat. In the first inning, Yankee ran in three scores, while the Cimarron boys were able to cross home plate but once. Again in the second, third and sixth innings, Yankee sent runners home twice each inning, while Cimarron was able to send but one more runner over the home plate, making the final score stand nine to two in favor of the visitors.

It is only fair to the visitors and to the home team to say that the cold weather and threatening snow made it impossible for either side to play a good game of ball, and many of the numerous errors made on both sides was due to this fact. The errors of the home team, however, were much worse, numerous and costly than those made by the dauntless Yankee players. The line up of the two teams was as follows:

Cimarron --- Barr, pitcher; T. Brooke, catcher; Whitney, first base; Livingston, second base; W. Brooke, third base; Fisher, short; Sullivan, r. field; Jackson, center field; Rogers, left field.

Yankee---Erington, pitcher; Merrow, catcher; Leason, first base; Farley, second base; Brubaker, third base; Nutting, short; Crabtree, right field; Wimmer, center field; Prevost, left field.

Umpires---W. L. Rupert and Dimick Baldwin.

Burton Williams is contemplating joining a party which will take an extended wagon trip throughout New Mexico and Arizona. The party expects to be gone for about three or four months, and hopes to visit a large portion of the two territories.

BOUND FOR BEET FIELDS

Taos Workmen Passing Through Cimarron To Beet Fields

With the coming of spring, the Taos workmen are now moving to the sugar beet fields in Colorado and elsewhere. The cultivation of the sugar beet in the Southwest has become a great industry, and many thousands of men are required to perform the labor incident to preparing the land for the planting, cultivation and harvesting of the beets.

Taos has long furnished a large number of workmen, skilled in beet culture, and they are always in great demand. Last week about five wagon loads of laborers from Taos passed through Cimarron, bound for the fields around Las Animas, Colo., and many more are expected to leave Taos shortly. In fact a few stragglers have been passing through Cimarron for some time. It is estimated that Taos furnishes no less than one hundred laborers for the different sugar beet districts, and it would not be at all surprising if the actual number would exceed this.

ANOTHER NEW TOWN STARTS

COMPANY LAYS OUT A NEW TOWN OF FRENCH--HAS TWO RAILROADS--FUTURE BRIGHT

Colfax county is coming to the front more than any other county or community in the whole Territory of New Mexico, and we will not except any place in the southwest from this statement. It is not only foremost in resources, but it is foremost in having men with push, capital and brains to develop its already great possibilities. As another evidence that the people interested in Colfax county property have the utmost faith in its future, the Citizen takes pleasure in pointing to the new town of French, which has just been laid out. This new town is situated at the junction of the El Paso & S. W. R. R. and the Santa Fe in Colfax county, and is located on a tract of the land owned and now being developed by the French Land & Irrigation Co., the headquarters of which are at Springer. In another place in this issue, appears the official announcement relative to this new and promising addition to the already thriving little places recently started in Colfax county. There is every chance that the new town of French will be a "hummer" because it is situated in the midst of fertile farming lands, and is the only town in the county beside Raton and the town of Colfax that is situated at the junction of two railroads. Under the competent management of Mr. R. J. Dobell, it is bound to be heard from very shortly.

WILL TAKE LONG TRIP

Another small party of Cimarron people are fixing to take an extended trip throughout the country. "Uncle Jim" Livingston and Harry Connors are preparing to start out in a buckboard and keep going until they get tired. Just where they will go to, they do not as yet know, but it is their plan to be gone for seven or eight weeks and enjoy a long outing in the open. They will travel light and are having a buckboard made especially for the trip, at the Harrison shops.

Mr. A. Lange, of Halls Peak, was in Cimarron last Saturday.

MRS. MARY HORN HAS REARED 22 CHILDREN

Greeley, Colo., April 27---One of the citizens in whom Greeley takes great pride lives in East Seventh street, East Greeley. She is Mrs. Mary Horn, who has reared twenty-two children, not all her own, and she considers that she has merely done her duty, and that her life has amounted to little.

When young, she married a widower with five little children. She became the mother of eleven, assuming all the care of the sixteen and doing all the housework for the family. The children grew to maturity, several marrying and now have families of their own.

Meantime, Mrs. Horn's husband died, as did the wife of the eldest son, and the latter brought home five motherless children, whom the grandmother welcomed and cared for until they were grown.

A few years ago a daughter died, leaving an infant, and the grandmother adopted the baby. The child is now about six months old, and, although uncommonly bright, was born with but one arm. Mrs. Horn supports herself and grandchildren by taking in sewing and lives in three rooms. Despite her years and hard work, she has a serene face and says she has kept young and cheerful by singing away her troubles.

MAKES BALL TEAM GIFT

J. O. ROGERS MAKES BALL TEAM FINE PRESENT OF NEW CAPS AND STOCKINGS.

Mr. J. O. Rogers, who is the manager of the Crocker Mercantile company, and one of the most enterprising young business men in Cimarron recently made the Cimarron Swastika a very handsome present in the shape of an entire outfit of caps and stockings. The caps are red, and have a neat white Swastika embroidered on the front. They look very swell with the blue and white suits of the team, adding the dash of color that the suits have needed. The stockings are very heavy woolen affairs, with alternating blue and white stripes and they match up with the suits to perfection.

The team has long needed just such additions to its equipment, and the players are very proud of their natty appearance.

SUIT IS SETTLED

Hugh Strivens Dismisses Case Against Ira McBride

Last Wednesday evening Hugh Strivens entered complaint against Ira McBride charging him with impersonating an officer, and on the strength of the charges made, Justice of the Peace J. S. Wilson issued a warrant for the arrest of McBride, who was released under \$300.00 bond.

It seems that both men were in the Lambert hotel, and that Strivens had been imbibing a little too freely of the liquid that cheers, and becoming noisy and quarrelsome, Mr. Lambert asked McBride to take him home. McBride did this, and claims that on the way home, Strivens became unmanageable, and that he told the older man that he was likely to land in jail if he didn't go. But be that as it may, after thinking the matter over again, Strivens decided that the act was one of friendship, and he dismissed the case against McBride, both men paying one-half the costs.